

The Shortest Thing in the World Is a Month to the Man Who Has to Meet the Bills that the First of Each Brings Around

ALL WRONG

The Mistake is Made by Many Bennington Citizens. Look for the cause of the mistake. To be cured you must know the cause. If it's weak kidneys you must kidneys working right. A Bennington resident tells you how. P. J. McGuire, 211 Maple St., Bennington, says: "For some time, I suffered from dull, heavy pains in the small of my back and was unable to stoop without a great deal of misery. The trouble was generally worse in damp weather or when I caught cold. I heard a great deal about Doan's Kidney Pills and finally procured a box at Cole's Drug Store and began using them. In a few days, I felt better and after I had finished one box, my back was free from pain and the other symptoms of the trouble became a thing of the past. Kidney trouble and I have been strangers since Doan's Kidney Pills cured me."

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PLAYGROUND NOTES.

The boys are learning many new tricks and stunts in preparation for the Big Stunt Day. More clowns are wanted. All girls and boys will meet Mr. Mann at nine thirty at Library hall so we can form our group in the parade. Every girl and boy in town is welcomed to join the playground group. Mr. Mann will be mighty glad to have you in his playground group. Remember Library hall at 8:45 Wednesday morning. It is a big honor to have the privilege to march in this dedication parade and every girl and boy should feel proud to have this privilege. All in line boys and lets make a grand showing for the playground.

RUTLAND

So many requests for space for live stock for the Rutland Fair and Horse Show, September 4-6-7-8, have been received that the officials are making special arrangements to take care of the big exhibit.

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE
The undersigned, having been appointed by the Honorable Probate Court for the District of Bennington, COMMISSIONER, to receive, examine, and adjust the claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Margaret P. Lowrie late of Bennington in said District, deceased, and all claims exhibited in or out of the probate court, at the Bennington County National Bank in the town of Bennington in said District, on the 31st day of August, 1916, and 31st day of January next, from 9 o'clock a. m. until 6 o'clock p. m., on each of said days, and that six months from the 31st day of July A. D. 1916, is the time limited by said Court for said creditors to present their claims to said Commissioner for examination and allowance.
Dated at Bennington, Vt., this 31st day of July A. D. 1916.

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE
The undersigned, having been appointed by the Honorable Probate Court for the District of Bennington, COMMISSIONER, to receive, examine, and adjust the claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Conrad Schwartz late of Bennington in said District, deceased, and all claims exhibited in or out of the probate court, at the office of D. A. Gullinan in the Village of Bennington, in said District, on the 31st day of August, 1916, and 31st day of January next, from 9 o'clock a. m. until 6 o'clock p. m., on each of said days, and that six months from the 31st day of August A. D. 1916, is the time limited by said Court for said creditors to present their claims to said Commissioner for examination and allowance.
Dated at Bennington, this 31st day of August A. D. 1916.

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AMERICANS ABUSE INSTEAD OF USE THEIR LEISURE

Some Present Day Practices Condemned by Dr. Holmes

PLEASE CHATAUQUA PROGRAMS

Lecture, Two Enjoyable Concerts and "The Man from Home" Delight Large and Appreciative Audience

Two concerts by the Granville-Hines company, a lecture on "Luxury and Leisure" by Dr. Holmes, and the presentation of the play "The Man from Home" were the features of the Chatauqua programs of Monday, at each of which there was a creditable attendance. The lecture by Dr. Holmes was the second of a series of different educational phases and was a forceful discourse on some of the foolishnesses of present day living.

Dr. Holmes said that people should not become the slaves of the things that they possess and should not foster a desire to obtain an overwhelming collection of useless articles. Much labor is wasted in making useless ornaments, for as long as people will buy trash it will be manufactured and sold to them. Whereas furniture and other household necessities used to be made for long and hard use, they are now made merely for looks and no longer are articles fitted for the purpose they are supposed to serve.

People should, the speaker said, turn toward a greater simplicity of life and not misuse leisure which is the greatest luxury of man. People have the idea that leisure should be spent in idleness, the reading of trash or playing silly games. Leisure should be spent in doing the things in which we find our chief interest and should be employed in some manner which will inspire us to be better citizens. It is a duty of each of us to feel that we owe a part of our time to our country in acquainting ourselves with its issues. It should be employed in some part to devoting oneself to the difficult problems which confront our democracy.

The two concerts of the Granville-Hines company, one in the afternoon and a second in the evening proved to be one of the best enjoyed musical numbers of the present Chatauqua. No more enthusiastic applause has been awarded any feature in the tent this year than was accorded Mr. Hines and Mr. Granville. Two songs sung by Mr. Granville which found particular favor with the audience were "It's a Long, Long, Trail" and "No, John, No, John." The latter was first sung in the afternoon concert and by request in the second entertainment.

The presentation of the play, "The Man from Home," by the Chatauqua players was a finished production of one of America's most wholesome plays. This play is built upon American ideals and is replete with incidents which depict the homely truths that are fundamental in American life. The actors and actresses in the Chatauqua company presented the play in a way which brought the great lesson it teaches home to each member of the large audience.

A score and more of the most representative people of Bennington remained at the big tent after last night's performance of "The Man from Home" to consider the future of Chatauqua in Bennington. It was the unanimous feeling that it should be sustained and made permanent if possible. It has succeeded where lyceums and the like have failed. There was some difference of opinion as to the details of procedure but it was agreed that an effort should be made to get fifty hand-picked guarantors and to get orders for the whole 700 season tickets called for. Three hundred and thirty-nine were ordered last night. It is earnestly hoped that all who want to back up clean and elevating entertainment will sign up for tickets today and insure the permanence of the institution in Bennington.

TO NOTIFY FAIRBANKS

Ceremony Will Take Place in Indianapolis August 31.

Indianapolis, Aug. 12.—The notification ceremonies at which Charles W. Fairbanks will be told officially of his nomination as the Republican candidate for vice-president, will be held at his residence at 2 o'clock on the afternoon of August 31, it was announced.

DEMOCRATIC MEETING

Ticket To Be Named at Meeting on Tuesday Evening.

The Democrats of Bennington County of the south shire are requested to meet at Apollo hall on South street at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening, August 15th. A good attendance is urged as the county ticket will be named at that time.

Democratic Town Committee. Adv. 6012

HORSE KICKS BOY TO DEATH

Howard Bouchard, Killed While Visiting Uncle Near Barre.

Barre, Aug. 12.—Howard Bouchard, a 12-year-old Nashua, N. H. boy, was kicked to death by a horse this morning while visiting his uncle, W. J. Nichols, of Beckley hill. His mother Mrs. Mary Nichols, was prostrated by the fatality. He is survived by his father and one brother in Nashua.

RECRUITS GOING SOON

Railroads Receive Orders to Entrain Enlisted Men

Burlington, Aug. 15.—The Central Vermont railroad company got an order Saturday afternoon to prepare to start the rest of the Vermont militia for the front at short notice. The war department issued a general order Saturday afternoon that all the remaining militia throughout the country which have not yet been sent to Mexico, entrain immediately upon receiving orders. When the twelve companies of infantry went off to the border, the orders to the railroad and Adjutant-General Lee S. Tillotson arrived almost simultaneously, but the departure of the regiment was delayed about 36 hours pending the arrival of equipment. It is expected that the headquarters, supply and machine gun companies, as well as the provisional company at Fort Ethan Allen, will leave tomorrow or Wednesday. The actual order had not reached the hands of the Adjutant-General up to last night.

Captain B. S. Hyland of Rutland, commanding officer at the camp and head of A company, said the order to entrain had been expected ever since the railroad received its order. But the war department issued an order, still in effect at this writing, that the militia could not leave until order to the national guard of the country in the first place was that no company of militia could depart until it was fully equipped and at minimum or peace strength at least. The four companies are strong enough numerically, but still lack the ponches, mosquito bars and bed sacks, one of each for every enlisted man, required for summer and winter service.

The recruiting stations at Morrisville, Middlebury and Bennington, will probably remain open until the militia of Vermont reaches its full war strength, recruits being received at Fort Ethan Allen. Only 25 or 30 men have taken the oath at the three stations in addition to about 10 at the fort since the new period of recruiting began. No information has come to headquarters so far that the stations would be discontinued, and there is no reason for doing so as long as the regiment is not at its full war quota.

Reports published Sunday in New York newspapers to the effect that there are 258 men in Vermont under training may have been true several weeks ago, but are not true today. There are close to 300 enlisted men not including officers at the fort. The figures given for the total number of the state militia in the state or on the border must also be revised. There are more than 915 men of the national guard in Vermont or at the Mexican front.

When the Second regiment left for the front it contained 12 companies of which few were completely equipped. This was a common condition and led to the war department's order that equipment henceforth must be complete in the case of each and every company. Left behind were the skeleton units which since have been increased to minimum size by abandoning the cavalry companies and enlisting them as infantry. The headquarters company was the only complete unit. An ordinary infantry company has a war strength of 150 men, a peace strength of 65; whereas the headquarters company has a total of 58 enlisted men of whom 28 compose the regiment band and 20 a squad of mounted scouts. The provisional company, which consist of the overflow and recent recruits, will be split up among the other companies so that they may be as nearly equal as possible in number. There is no question of the war or peace strength of the headquarters company. It has been of full strength for weeks past. The machine gun company numbered 53 and the supply company 32. The officers are all at the front with the exception of Captain G. E. Carpenter, who resigned his commission as major in charge of the ordnance at the fort to take a captivity. He is head of the newly formed machine gun company. This is the only company which is not a detachment. It has had most of its equipment almost from the start, including the four guns with which every regiment is provided.

The destination of the men will probably be Eagle Pass. The entire First regiment is stationed at or near this station with the exception of four squads of which are stretched out over a distance of 20 to 50 miles guarding four big fancies near the border. The national guard numbers roughly 83,000 men, not including recruits of the past few weeks, of which about 53,000 are on the border. This leaves about 28,000 men still affected by the president's order of several weeks ago which sent the militia to the front.

NO PAPER TOMORROW

August 16 being a legal holiday in Vermont there will be no issue of "The Evening Banner" tomorrow. Thursday's paper will contain the news of both days.

RAILROADS AGREE TO GRANT EIGHT HOUR DAY

Want Further Investigation of Demand for Increased Over Time

MANAGERS MEET PRESIDENT

Indications That Both Parties Are Making Concessions to Avert Threatened Strike.

Washington, Aug. 15.—The burden of concession today apparently shifted from the railroad managers to the brotherhoods in the adjustment of the threatened strike.

The managers were in session with President Wilson for one and one-half hours this forenoon. At the conclusion of the conference it was unofficially announced that the railroad companies had agreed to concede an eight hour day but they insisted that the demand increased over time pay must be submitted to wider and more comprehensive investigation.

President Wilson stated that there had been a candid exchange of views at the conference but he was in no position to make any definite announcement.

The president had arranged for a conference with the representatives of the employees' organizations at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Washington, Aug. 15.—President Wilson conferred yesterday with both parties to the threatened country-wide railway strike, and last night it appeared that sufficient foundation had been laid to furnish a working basis for a settlement of the differences of the employees and employers.

The foremost questions are, what shall be arbitrated, if arbitration is to be resorted to, and what form of arbitration shall be adopted. Representatives of the employees maintain that their demand for an eight-hour day and time and a half for overtime is the only concrete proposition under discussion. They insisted to the president in their conference yesterday that the railroads make some definite counter proposal. If the railroads submitted some proposed form of settlement, they said, they would be ready to discuss negotiations further. The employees are understood to be ready to consent to the principle of arbitration if the contingent proposals of the managers which the men claim involves rights they have won in 30 years' effort are eliminated from consideration, and if arbitration is conducted by a board on which all four brotherhoods are represented.

Immediately after learning the employees' position, the president summoned the committee of managers and held a long conference with them. They left the White House to confer among themselves throughout the night, if necessary, and the general understanding was that they discussed the advisability of withdrawing their "contingency" proposals and submitting a proposition "without strings," as demanded by the men.

While representatives of the employees insisted that they had not yet agreed to arbitrate, any feature of their differences, there was a growing impression that arbitration, or some form of compromise would be agreed upon. At no time, it was said, did the representatives of the men indicate that unless their demands were granted unqualifiedly they would go on strike. Both sides refused absolutely to discuss their meeting with the president or venture any forecast on the probable outcome of the negotiations, but leaders of the two factions were optimistic last night that a strike would be avoided.

A. B. Garretson, president of the order of railway conductors and spokesman for the employees' representatives, made it clear yesterday that under no circumstances will the employees agree to arbitration under the Newlands act. The boards of arbitration provided by that act, they maintain, are too small. The balance of power, they contend, is too close and as a result the employees have suffered. Indications were that the president, recognizing this situation, might propose a special board of arbitration if the negotiations reach the arbitrating stage composed of as many as 12 men including representatives of all the brotherhoods.

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WANTED—A second hand bicycle. State price. Apply Post Office box 283, North Bennington, Vt. 6212

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WANTED—Furnished bedroom with quiet family, commencing Thursday. State rent. X. Y. Z. Banner Office. 6212

FRANKLIN SCOTT

Well-Known Patent Attorney Died at North Bennington Monday.

Franklin Scott of North Bennington passed away at 7 a. m. Monday, August 14th on the morning of his 78th birthday. He had been in failing health for some time, but the end came suddenly following a three day's illness caused by uremic poisoning.

Mr. Scott was born, August 14, 1838, in the town of Bennington, on a farm about a mile north of what is now the property of the Vermont Soldiers' home. In the early forties his parents, Martin Billings Scott and Mary Ann Olin, removed to North Bennington, and he received his early education in the common schools of the town. After preparing for college at one of the leading academic schools of the day, in Fort Edward, N. Y., he decided to study law, and entered the office of his cousin, Congressman Abraham Olin, in Troy. He was admitted to the bar in Albany, for the practice of law in the New York state courts. About this time Congressman Olin removed to Washington, D. C., and Mr. Scott entered the offices of Judges Tracy and Romayne, patent lawyers of Troy. Here he lost his interest for the practice of common law, and took up patent law and patent soliciting. He was later admitted to practice in the United States courts in Washington, D. C., New York, Massachusetts and Vermont.

He was not only a patent lawyer, but was considered an expert in analyzing mechanical patents, and cases were frequently sent to him by prominent attorneys from various parts of the country, for his examination and advice as to the mechanical construction of patents. Among the great numbers who submit work to the patent offices at Washington, he was conceded to be unequalled in his skill not only as a draftsman, but as a penman.

Thomas A. Edison, at one time, came to see a little sketch of a sphere, made by Mr. Scott, which only embraced three lines, but so shaded that it was perfect. Mr. Edison handed him up, and induced him to enter his employ as head of his drawing department, which position he held for several years.

Mr. Scott was a shrewd politician, and in his earlier days, when making public addresses, his keen wit, and ready grasp of the situation, seldom failed to have the desired influence on his audience. On the Scott side of the family, he was a direct descendant of Captain Stephen Fay, and on his mother's side, he was especially proud of the fact that he was directly descended from Joseph Hayland, Tory, who was the first settler in the town of Bennington, building a log cabin on a piece of land which is now the east portion of A. S. Hathaway's lawn on West street only a few feet from the spot where Mr. Scott died. His ancestors were Quakers, and when asked about his religious belief, he always replied that he was a Quaker by heredity.

In 1871 he returned to North Bennington where he has since resided with his sister, Emily Walbridge Scott, who survives him. Four others of the immediate relatives survive: Mrs. William Bull, a niece, daughter of the late Henry Scott, and her daughter, Vera L. Bull, also two grand-nephews, Martin W. and Frank H. Scott, all of Bennington.

Mr. Scott will be missed in the community. It is with sadness that we see the older residents departing one by one and realize how few remain to us of that generation. During the long years of his residence in the town, none of the poorer, common people have ever appealed to him for advice in vain, and their loyal testimony to that effect is one of the most gratifying tributes which his family have to cherish of his memory.

The burial services will be held from his late home, Thursday at 2 p. m., and the interment will be in the family plot in the cemetery at Old Bennington.

ACTED AS HER OWN LAWYER

Mrs. Marion Egbert Cross-Examined P. W. Clement

Rutland, Aug. 13.—Probably a case precedent was established in this county today when Clarke C. Fitts of Brattleboro, sitting as special master, permitted a woman plaintiff, Mrs. Marion Egbert of New York, to cross-examine a defendant, who in the case at hand was Percival W. Clement of this city. The controversy involves a \$14,000 account for services. Mrs. Egbert was represented by three attorneys, E. C. Labell and Arthur Bard of New York and John S. Dorsey, but she asked the court's permission to take the case in hand herself. Mr. Fitts said it was not customary for more than attorney to cross-question a witness but he finally granted the woman's request, telling her that he would hold her strictly to rules governing the usual court procedure.

The New York woman worked for Mr. Clement in compiling a genealogy. He claims that he was to pay her \$20 a week, while her contention is that this merely covered expenses and that she was under contract to receive a much larger sum for her services. The plaintiff alleges that records show that Mr. Clement advanced her \$2,000 in excess of the \$20 weekly stipend.

Mrs. Egbert stated in court that there was an attempt to cast reflection upon her reputation. Attorneys W. B. C. Stickney, W. S. Fenton and M. C. Webster, who represents Mr. Clement, denied this, saying the whole matter was a business proposition.

ALL BENNINGTON TO TAKE PART IN PARADE

Preceding Corner Stone Exercises of Putnam Memorial Hospital

LINE FORMS AT 9.30 SHARP

Grand Officers of Vermont Grand Lodge of Masons To Take Part in Ritual at Foundation.

Judging from preparations that are being made, Bennington will tomorrow witness one of the most thoroughly representative demonstrations seen here in years in connection with laying of the corner stone at the foundation of the Henry W. Putnam Memorial hospital.

The exercises at the foundation, which will be in charge of the grand officers of the grand Masonic lodge of Vermont, will be preceded by a parade.

The parade, which will consist of five divisions, will start promptly at 9:30 o'clock following a signal from the new fire alarm whistle. The line of march will be west over Main street to South street, south over South street to Elm street, west over Elm street to Washington street, south over Washington street to Weeks street, west Weeks street to Dewey street, south over Dewey street to the hospital ground entrance. The different divisions in the parade will assemble as follows:

First Division, Forming on Safford St., Right Resting on Main Street
Chief of Police and patrolmen.
Bennington City Band.
Honorary Marshal John Robinson.
Chief Marshal Emory S. Harris and staff.

Taft Commandery, Knights Templars.
Mt. Anthony Lodge, F. & A. M.
Grand Lodge of Vermont F. & A. M.
School Children.
Boy Scouts.
Knights of Columbus.
B. P. O. Elks.

Second Division, Forming on Union St., Right Resting on Main Street
John Roney Marshall.
F. M. T. A. B. drum corps of North Adams.

F. M. T. A. B. Society.
Canton Bennington P. M.
Stark Lodge I. O. O. F.
Bennington Aerle Order of Eagles.
Modern Woodmen of America.
Foresters of America Court.
Catholic Order of Forrest Fish and Game association.
Ancient Order of United Workmen.
Patrons of Husbandry Bennington Grange.

Third Division, Forming on Pleasant St., Right Resting on Main St.
Geo. G. Wellings, Marshal.
North Bennington Band.
J. G. McCullough Engine Co.
Tucker Lodge F. & A. M.
Local Order of Moose.
Modern Order of Woodmen.

Fourth Division, Forming on Gage St., Right Resting on Safford St.
H. E. North, Marshal.
Bennington Fire Department.
William Sears Chief.
Chas. Briggs, First assistant chief.
Henry Pratt, second assistant chief.
Stark Hose.
Henry W. Putnam Hose.
W. H. Bradford Hook and Ladder Co.
Eagle Hose.

First Division, Forming on Upper Main St., Right resting on Safford Street
George M. Hawks, Marshal.
Village and Town officials.
G. A. Custer Corps, W. R. C.
Young Woman's Club.
Welfare Association.
Daughters of American Revolution.
Miriam Rebekah Lodge.
Kings Daughters.
Village Improvement Society.
Bennington Club.

All marshals and aids on the staff of Chief Marshal Emory S. Harris are requested to meet promptly at 9 o'clock at the W. H. Bradford Hook and Ladder House for instructions and assignment of duties.

The ceremony of the laying of the corner stone will take place immediately after the arrival of the parade. The Masonic ritual for such occasions will be used and the following grand officers are expected to be present: Henry H. Ross of Rutland, grand master; David A. Elliott of White River Junction, deputy grand master; Edwin L. Wells of Lyndonville, grand senior warden; Archie S. Harfman of Middlebury, grand junior warden; Charles W. Whitcomb of Proctorsville, grand treasurer; Frank A. Ross, Burlington, grand secretary; Rev. Alfred J. Hugh, Montpelier, grand chaplain; Rev. W. J. Ballou, Ludlow, assistant chaplain; Frank C. Mosher, Island Pond, grand senior deacon; Frank A. Davis, Chester, grand junior deacon; Edward H. Martin of Burlington, grand senior steward; Oren S. Neuma of Burlington, grand junior steward; Frederick D. Ranney of Bennington,

LEONARDO DI VINCI SINKS AND 300 OF HER CREW DROWN

Italian Battleship Destroyed by Explosion in Tarranto Harbor

GOES DOWN BEING BEACHED

Vessel Was New Type Dreadnaught 554 Feet Long and Displacing 22,340 Tons.

Paris, Aug. 15.—The Italian battleship Leonardo di Vinci caught fire from an explosion while in the harbor of Tarranto and sank, according to a dispatch received from Turin today. Three hundred of the crew were drowned.

The Leonardo di Vinci, which was one of the newer type of Italian dreadnaughts with a length of 554 feet and displacing 22,340 tons, turned over and sank while an attempt was being made to beach the ship. The fire, which caused the explosion in one of the magazines is believed to have started in the kitchen.

KAISER USES VERMONT SNATH

Belongs Falls Product Used for All Scythes on His Estates.

Bellevue Falls, Aug. 13.—Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany is receiving much publicity just now because he is reported as spending his afternoons mowing hay with a scythe. Bellevue Falls should receive a little reflected glory. The scythe snath used on all the Kaiser's estates are made in Bellevue Falls.

The oldest and largest scythe snath factory in the country is located in this village and for many years consignments have been sent to Berlin, consigned to the purchasing agent for the Kaiser. While Wilhelm is wielding his Vermont-made scythe snath, the lowest peasants in his country in all European countries are using implements made by the same firm, for they are sent all over the world from this place.

BIG LEAGUE BASEBALL

American League
Washington 2, Boston 1.
New York 4, Philadelphia 3.
Cleveland 3, Detroit 2.
Chicago-St. Louis, not scheduled.

Standing of the Clubs
Won. Lost. P.C.
Boston 62 45 .579
Cleveland 62 48 .564
Chicago 62 49 .560
St. Louis 60 52 .536
Detroit 60 53 .531
New York 56 52 .519
Washington 52 55 .486
Philadelphia 22 82 .212

National League.
Brooklyn 8, Boston 2.
Philadelphia 8, New York 0 (first game).
Philadelphia 7, New York 4 (second game).
Cincinnati 6, Chicago 3.
Pittsburg-St. Louis, rain.

Standing of the Clubs.
Won. Lost. P.C.
Brooklyn 63 37 .530
Boston 58 40 .593
Philadelphia 60 42 .588
New York 52 49 .515
Pittsburg 44 55 .444
Chicago 46 60 .434
St. Louis 47 62 .431
Cincinnati 43 68 .387

WEATHER FORECAST

For eastern New York and western Vermont partly cloudy. Warmer tonight, Wednesday fair.

grand Pursuant; L. Burton Jones of Island Pond, grand lecturer; John E. Piddock of Rockingham, grand marshal; Albert Kilham of Burlington, grand sword bearer; Henry D. Philmore of Bennington, grand tyler. The exercises following the ritual will consist of music by the band and singing by a large chorus of young women. The addresses will be delivered by James C. Colgate of Old Bennington, James K. Hatchelder of Arlington and Rev. Thomas R. Carty pastor of St. Francis de Sales church of this village in the order named.

The committee from the hospital association and the board of trade request that merchants close their places of business between the hours of 9:30 and 12 o'clock and that flags be displayed from stores and residences. All persons desiring parking spaces for automobiles at the grounds are requested to form their cars in line on Main street.

Emory S. Harris will act as chief marshal and will be assisted by the following aids: Geo. M. Hawks, Geo. R. Wellings, Frank E. Vail, Geo. Cotton, James Rooney, Edward Everett, John Rooney, Leon Eldred, Miss Mary Wellington, Miss Elizabeth Huling.